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Reagan condemns Israel 'moral lapse'

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Ronald Reagan last night accused Israel of "unnecessarily" delaying its withdrawal from Lebanon. In his strongest statement against Israel's position in Lebanon to date, the president also said that Israel was neglecting the moral aspects of the situation.

Reagan said that Israel's army in Lebanon had become an occupying army since the government of Lebanon had informed Israel that "we want you to depart." Reagan, meeting with reporters, said that his administration would be willing to increase the U.S. participation in the Multinational Peace-keeping Force if that was required to bring stability to the country.

In his remarks, Reagan once again called for the withdrawal of all foreign forces from Lebanon, but he singled out Israel for direct criticism for refusing to do so.

Druse, Christians agree to cease-fire

By MENACHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

METULLA. — Phalange and Druse forces in Lebanon signed a cease-fire agreement yesterday covering the area from Beirut to the Bekaa Valley.

According to IDF sources, the agreement stipulated that both sides would stop firing yesterday afternoon, and would surrender their heavy arms to the IDF, dismantle all roadblocks and release all kidnapped persons.

The meeting at which the Phalange and Druse commanders signed the undertaking was attended by IDF officers.

Despite the agreement, however, fighting continued in the Shouf mountains, especially in the area of Shouk-al-Arab.

Earlier yesterday, the head of the Lebanese delegation to the peace talks in Haifa, Antoine Fattal, said that Israel had a duty to protect civilians in areas it occupied, a Lebanese spokesman said.

Tat-Aluf Amnon Lipkin, commander of IDF forces in Beirut, yesterday denied reports that Israel had helped the Druse to overrun Phalange positions in Aley. He was reacting to an allegation broadcast by the Phalange radio station Radio Free Lebanon that Israel had aided with the Druse in the fighting and had confined the Christians to barracks.

Lipkin said that the IDF would use force to prevent cease-fire violations. He added, however, that "it is not a question of the Israeli army. It is a question of the people of Lebanon."

Lipkin announced the agreement during a surprise visit to the hotel in Haifa, south of Beirut, where Lebanese, Israeli and U.S. negotiators were meeting for their 13th round of talks aimed at securing the withdrawal of foreign forces from Lebanon and working out future relations between Israel and Lebanon.

Druse fighters yesterday left houses in the western part of Aley which they captured on Sunday. The town was under a 24-hour curfew.

In the other towns of the Shouf, there was a feeling of victory among the Druse after their successes on Sunday. Many men, both young and old, had left their villages to take part in the Aley fighting. Yesterday, in Mouchkara, home town of Druse leader Walid Jumblatt, trucks loaded with ammunition were seen moving through the streets.

In Beit ed-Din, Lebanese government offices were again opened to all citizens as the IDF guaranteed access to the mainly Christian town. Many Druse mukhtars were seen in the offices, transacting business on behalf of their people.



Italian soldiers inspect two Katyusha rockets found on a rooftop three kilometres from where the Israeli-Lebanese talks were held in Haifa yesterday. Two other rockets were fired but they landed in the sea. (UPI Telephoto)

Israel-Lebanon accord on Haddad seen near

By DAVID LANDAU
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The dispute between Israel and Lebanon over the future role of Major Sa'ad Haddad's militia is moving towards resolution, according to Israeli sources. "Haddad won't be a problem," the sources said last night. "He will be integrated."

By "integrated" the sources meant that the Southern Lebanese Christian leader and his men would be integrated into the Lebanese Army's command structure, while continuing to play a central role, in coordination with the IDF, in policing the South Lebanon security zone.

Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir dwelt on this envisaged IDF-Haddad cooperation when he briefed members of the U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee in Jerusalem yesterday. He said the IDF-manned early warning posts which Israel is demanding would provide intelligence for Haddad's security operation. In addition, there would be IDF patrols — possibly joint IDF-Lebanese patrols —

in the security zone, he said. These arrangements were necessary, Ben-Meir explained, because the Lebanese Army would not yet be strong enough to supervise the area unaided. UNIFIL assistance would not be adequate, and a role for U.S. troops (as part of the Multinational Force) would inevitably be bad for U.S.-Israel relations, Ben-Meir said.

The question of Haddad's role did not come up at the Israel-Lebanon-U.S. negotiations in Haifa yesterday. The Israeli sources said that the progress on this matter had been achieved at previous meetings.

But there was progress yesterday, according to an Israeli delegation spokesman, on several other points related to security arrangements. He refused to say what these points were, but acknowledged that they did not include the two main issues of dispute, apart from Haddad — Israel's insistence on warning stations and Lebanon's insistence on a role for UNIFIL.

Presumably, these key issues (Continued on back page)

Cabinet meets today as report is published Begin studies findings of massacre inquiry

By DAVID RICHARDSON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Begin received a copy of the Kahan Commission's findings last night, 130 days after it was appointed to investigate events surrounding the Phalange massacre of Palestinians at Sabra and Shatila refugee camps in Beirut last September.

The report of the findings renewed talk of early elections or a change of coalition.

The 130-odd page report, the most important sections of which are, according to a commission source, to be made public, was apparently brought to the prime minister at his home in Rehavia by the cabinet secretary and his *de facto* legal adviser Dan Meridor.

An official government Press Office statement last night said that the report will be made available to the press in Hebrew and English at 10 a.m. today, shortly before a special cabinet session called by Begin convenes in Jerusalem. Israeli TV will start broadcasting the report at 2 p.m.

The premier first heard that the commission had completed the report during debates in the Knesset yesterday afternoon. The news soon flashed round the political factions, the country and abroad and both Begin and opposition leader Shimon Peres immediately began preparing their parties for a uniform response to the publication of the commission's findings which could, if severe enough force the prime minister to resign and call new elections.



Cabinet secretary Dan Meridor arrives at the prime minister's residence in Jerusalem last night. (Scoop 80)

If the commission does choose to make recommendations of a personal nature the cabinet will have to consider resigning, dismissing ministers, senior army officers and civil servants.

Deputy Premier David Levy and Finance Minister Yoram Aridor, both due to leave on overseas missions today were thought likely to delay their departures. But in Bonn, Israel Foreign Ministry spokesman Avi Pazner confirmed a German television report that Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir was continuing his European visit as planned. Pazner said that Shamir does not know the contents of the commission's report and so cannot comment.

A special messenger was expected to deliver the report to the prime minister's home last night, but instead, reporters on the scene noted the arrival of Meridor, Justice Minister Moshe Nisim and cabinet spokesman Uri Porat. None of the commission members or the official spokesman or secretary could be reached last night. They were unofficially reported to be working on the final draft which is to be released to the public and on the official translation into English.

Begin, the first person to receive the report, was said to have personally contacted some of the eight other persons whom the commission warned last November were likely to be harmed by its investigation or findings.

Apart from Begin himself, those receiving formal letters of warning from the commission on November 24 were: Defence Minister Ariel Sharon, Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir (currently abroad), Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan, Director of Army Intelligence Aluf Yehoshua Saguy, OC Northern Command Aluf Amir Drori, IDF Divisional Commander in Beirut (at the time) Tat Aluf Amos Yaron, the Director of the Mossad (or the Institute for Intelligence and Special Projects) whose name is kept secret, and Avi Dudai, a personal aide to Sharon.

The nine men were all told that from the testimony and evidence the commission had heard and collected it might conclude that they "had not fulfilled a duty incumbent

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Hussein seeks Arafat's go-ahead for talks

Post Middle East Affairs Reporter

PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat arrived in Jordan yesterday in a final attempt to coordinate positions with King Hussein before next week's crucial Palestine National Council (PNC) meeting in Algiers.

According to Reuters, citing unidentified Jordanian officials, Amman is insisting that Arafat make a decisive commitment that will enable Hussein to respond to U.S. President Ronald Reagan's latest Middle East peace initiative before he gets caught up in next year's presidential elections.

Specifically, Hussein would like a green-light from Arafat to include non-PLO Palestinians in a joint delegation in an American-initiated peace process that would get around Washington's objection to dealing with the PLO.

Arafat is reported to be personally

amenable to the idea, but is unlikely to endorse it without the authorization of next week's PNC meeting. This is by no means certain, as the Syrian-backed radicals in the PLO have vigorously opposed any PLO cooperation with Jordan or the Reagan plan, and have served notice that they will press for an outright rejection of both in Algiers.

Reuters quoted the same Jordanian officials as saying that if Arafat does not produce the commitment Hussein is seeking, Jordan might bypass the PLO and make a deal with Palestinian leaders in the West Bank to enter peace talks on the basis of the U.S. plan.

Meanwhile, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak's top foreign policy aide, Osama al-Baz, was also in Amman yesterday, ostensibly to brief Hussein on Mubarak's recent visit to the U.S., Canada, Britain and France.

Kohl asks Shamir to weigh Reagan's peace plan

By MEIR MERHAV
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl urged visiting Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir to consider President Ronald Reagan's peace plan as a realistic way towards a Middle East solution.

In a statement issued after an hour of talks, Kohl also called on both sides in the Middle East conflict to show greater willingness to compromise. He said Israeli settlements in occupied territory were making it harder to achieve peace. An Israeli spokesman said, "Mr. Shamir told the chancellor that the Camp David agreement remained the best framework to continue the Middle East peace process."

Shamir was obviously pleased with the cordial reception given him in Bonn. He also met with President

Karl Carstens and Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher.

The purpose of his visit to Bonn, Shamir said, had been to discuss the bilateral relations between Germany and Israel, the relations with the European Community, where Germany now holds the chairmanship of the council of foreign ministers, and global political issues.

Foreign Minister Genscher, Shamir said, had promised that consideration would be given Israel's request for parallel negotiations of its relations with the European Community, so as to ensure that Israel is not disadvantaged in its agricultural exports as a result of the entry of Spain and Portugal into the Community.

The talks with Kohl and Genscher, Shamir said, had ranged

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War stopped Israeli-Egyptian trade

Post Economic Reporter

Since the beginning of the war in Lebanon, the Egyptians have frozen economic and trade relations with Israel, the director of the Egyptian department in the Foreign Ministry told the members of the Knesset Economic Committee yesterday.

Zvi Kedat said that since the war Egypt has stopped granting import licences for Israeli products, has cancelled a meeting of the governor of the Bank of Israel, Moshe Mandelbaum, with his Egyptian counterpart, and stopped authorizing

credits for business operations with Israel.

The deputy director general for foreign trade of the Ministry of Industry and Trade, Moshe Semadar, told the committee that until the war started there was a certain advance in economic ties with Egypt.

The general manager of Koor Trade, Moshe Bella, said that since the war no Egyptian government agency has bought anything from the company, and that the company did not win any public tender in which it participated in Egypt.

Lewis, Atherton visit Sinai force

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The U.S. ambassadors to Israel and Egypt are visiting the Multinational Force and Observers in Sinai together.

Samuel Lewis and Alfred Atherton have taken a couple of days away from their desks in Tel Aviv and Cairo to spend time with American troops who form the largest contingent in the 10-nation peninsula peace-keeping force.

This is the first time Lewis and Atherton are inspecting the troops since the MFO took up its positions

in Sinai a year ago.

American sources say the envoys' trip is routine and not linked to any particular political development. But there will doubtless be those who will construe the trip at this time as a reminder that there is a Middle East peace-keeping force doing its job to the satisfaction of both sides (Israel and Egypt). This is the Israel government's reluctance to see the UNIFIL or the Beirut multinational force play a peace-keeping role in the projected South Lebanon security zone.

Iraq claims major Iranian assault smashed

BAGHDAD. — Iraq said yesterday that it had smashed the first wave of a major new Iranian offensive on the southern battlefield of the Gulf War, killing 6,894 Iranians.

The Iraqi general command did not give Iraqi losses in the battle that developed before dawn.

It said that Iran flung two divisions, backed by tanks and revolutionary guards against the Iraqi Fourth Army Corps which is defending the border of Misan province, southeast of Baghdad.

Tehran radio said that Iranian troops stormed across trenches and minefields in the pre-dawn assault to recapture 250 sq. km. of territory and seize three military outposts inside Iraq.

The battle area appears to be northeast and east of Amara, Misan's provincial capital, 300 km. southeast of Baghdad.

The Iranian news agency (IRNA) reported that it was the biggest offensive since the outbreak of the war.

After crossing the border in the southern sector of the front, "the Islamic forces were stationed in the areas to safeguard the liberated regions and control the enemy's moves," an Iranian military communiqué said.

The new offensive was the biggest operation carried out since the outbreak of the war between the two Islamic states in September, 1980, the official Iranian news agency

quoted unnamed military officials as saying.

It named the liberated Iranian posts as Subleah, Safariyeh and Bashidiyeh, and the captured Iraqi posts as Safariyeh (across the border from the Iranian post of the same name) Vehab and Karamch.

Iraq said Iranian dead and dozens of blazing Iranian tanks and other vehicles littered the battlefield after the Iranians attacked twice in the Al-Shalb area, just after midnight and around dawn.

Iraq, which has the more powerful air force, said its planes and helicopter gunships dominated in the air and flew 129 combat missions. It said Iranian guns shelled the southern port city of Basra.

The official Iraqi news agency later said that hundreds of Iranian troops had been taken prisoner and transferred behind Iraqi lines. Other prisoners were still being rounded up.

It may be some time before the main thrust of the new Iranian offensive becomes clear. But Iraqi President Saddam Hussein said on Sunday that Iran apparently aimed to control a major highway leading south through Misan province to Basra and Kuwait.

The Misan offensive followed an earlier major drive in July by Iran to seize Basra, which petered out after Iraq claimed its forces decimated the advancing Iranian troops. (Reuters, AP)

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| Haifa Port | 72 | 10-15 | 17 |
| Tiberias | 87 | 10-14 | 16 |
| Nazareth | 85 | 6-12 | 14 |
| Afula | 68 | 9-14 | 16 |
| Shomron | 68 | 6-11 | 13 |
| Tel-Aviv | 65 | 10-15 | 16 |
| B-G Airport | 67 | 10-14 | 16 |
| Jericho | 55 | 10-17 | 19 |
| Gaza | 77 | 10-14 | 16 |
| Beersheba | 53 | 9-14 | 17 |
| Eilat | 23 | 7-20 | 21 |

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Professor Yigal Ronen of Ben-Gurion University's nuclear engineering department has been elected president of the Israel Society of Nuclear Sciences. He replaces Professor Shimon Istah.

The Japanese bassoon player Koki Sasano will give a concert this evening at 9 p.m. at the David Palombo museum on Mount Zion. Admission free.

Marriage

Miriam and Jehuda Eckerling of Jerusalem are happy to announce the marriage of their daughter Chani to Lanny Salisbury.

DEPARTURES

Minister of Energy Yitzhak Moda'i, for South Africa on ministry business.

Hapoel beat Maccabi in Ramat Gan derby

By DON GOULD
Post Basketball Reporter
The Ramat Gan basketball derby between Hapoel and Maccabi was won 98-81 by Hapoel last night at Yeh Elisha sports Stadium in Tel Aviv.

Hapoel Ramat Gan's Corky Nelson was removed from the contest mid-way through the first half after a punching incident with the league's leading scorer, Maccabi Ramat Gan's Doron Jamchee. Jamchee himself left the game, with five minutes to play, having committed five fouls. He scored 16 points, 12 less than his average. Veteran Steve Kaplan of Hapoel led all scorers with 30 points followed by Or Goren of Hapoel with 26. Maccabi's Carl Anis scored 20.

SHAMIR

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over a broad spectrum of issues. Kohl had assured him of his personal friendship for Israel, and confirmed his promise to visit Israel soon, if he is re-elected on March 6.

Both Kohl and Genscher wanted a first-hand report on the state of the negotiations with Lebanon.

Shamir also met with Egon Bahr, a leading member of the shadow cabinet of Hans-Jochen Vogel, the Social Democratic candidate for the chancellorship.

In answer to a question, Shamir said that he had not noticed any significant differences between the two major parties with regard to their attitude towards Israel.

GOLD. — A goldsmith said that thieves took gold worth \$7,500 from his shop on Rehov Rambam in Tel Aviv on Sunday night, police reported.

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Civil Defence

HAGA EXERCISE

Tomorrow in Jerusalem

Tomorrow, Wednesday, February 9, 1983, a Civil Defence (Haga) Exercise will take place in the Jerusalem area between 6:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. In the course of the exercise the sounds of firing and of explosions will be heard and the air raid siren will sound the "all-clear." In the case of a genuine alert, a rising and falling note will be sounded.

HOME NEWS

Visiting senators urge autonomy talks now

Post Knesset Correspondent

A group of U.S. senators said in Jerusalem yesterday that they saw no reason why the negotiations on the future of the West Bank should not commence before the current negotiations between Israel and Lebanon are completed.

They did not agree with the administration's view that the Middle East peace process need be held up until Israel and Lebanon had worked out an agreement, the senators said.

The four Republicans, headed by Senator William S. Cohen (Maine), are visiting Israel for three days as guests of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee. The others in the delegation are Senators Dan Quayle (Indiana), Pete Wilson (California) and John Heinz (Pennsylvania).

The senators, who conferred with eight members of the Knesset committee, wanted to know under what conditions Israel would favour the entry of Jordan's King Hussein into the peace process. They said that the Reagan Plan is "not dead," and in a clear reference to Camp David, they warned that "inflexible

agreements" are not adequate to meet present negotiating needs. They called on Israel to "show initiative and imagination" in order to bring Hussein into the talks.

The Reagan plan, they explained, was simply an "expansion" of Camp David.

The senators said that "an atmosphere of suspicion" prevailed between Israel and the U.S. and added with careful ambiguity: "The problem is, who is responsible for creating this atmosphere?"

Committee chairman Elisha Ben-Eliazar complained that officials in Washington only began calling Camp David "a dead horse" after Israel handed back Sinai to Egypt. Labour's Yitzhak Rabin said that instead of the American negotiators wasting time with trivialities, they should get a clear response from the Syrians as to whether they intended to withdraw from Lebanon and under what conditions.

Labour leader Shimon Peres, in a private meeting with the four senators, said that Major Sa'ad Haddad should integrate his militias into the Lebanese army, and the joint force so established should be

responsible for supervising security in Southern Lebanon.

The senators conferred with Defence Minister Ariel Sharon in Tel Aviv before returning to Jerusalem for a dinner at the Plaza Hotel hosted by the Ben-Eliazars.

On arrival at the Knesset yesterday morning, the senators were welcomed by an honour guard, and were received by Speaker Menachem Savidor. Earlier, they had breakfast with Deputy Foreign Minister Yehuda Ben-Meir.

They open today's programme at a breakfast meeting with Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, followed by a meeting with Prime Minister Menachem Begin, and a tour of Jerusalem. They leave at four p.m. this afternoon by special flight.

On Sunday the group had a helicopter tour of Samaria and the Golan Heights and were hosted at a dinner by executives of the arms manufacturing corporations Soltam and Salgad.

The senators' Middle East tour also includes Cyprus, Egypt, and other countries in the region.

'Rain-Shine' sect abandons its quarters

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA. — The "Rain-Shine" sect's quarters on Eden Hill in Zichron Ya'acov have been abandoned by the sect members who included Moshe Melamed who committed suicide last week, a day after enlisting in the army.

The old house used by the sect is closed, and neighbours said they had not seen anybody there for days.

A sociologist who had been trying to get the members to return home, told the *Jerusalem Post* that the house had been abandoned before the suicide.

He said he had last seen the sect leader, Rina Shani, who like all sect members changed her name to "Rain-Shine," a fortnight ago, and could not say whether she had kept her declaration that she was going to India to meditate in peace.

Shani, a poet in her early forties announced some five years ago that she had had a divine vision, "seen the light" and moved to Zichron where she started her sect, which attracted about 20 people aged from 18 to 35.

The sect was originally known as *Etsah Elohim*: "Finger of God."

Her ideology was based on universal love, objection to violence and militancy and a pantheistic belief. It led to the severance of family ties by members.

Shortly before the suicide of Melamed, another sect member from Atlit was arrested on charges of beating up his parents, allegedly as a result of his anti-family indoctrination, and sent for psychiatric observation.

The sociologist, Gaby Zohar, who with two psychologists has been trying to bring the younger members back to their families, said Melamed had joined the army of his own free will and he could not understand why he committed suicide.

Several sect members were exempted from service because of their sect membership; two of the girl members had served with an army theatrical group.

Zohar said the "Rain-Shine" sect lived in poverty. They earned a little money by menial work, after forswearing wealth as part of their creed which believes in a return to nature.

TA awards for 30 community workers

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Thirty persons representing the thousands of volunteer workers in municipal and voluntary organizations in Tel Aviv, yesterday received the Volunteer's Excellence Award from Mayor Shlomo Lahat.

The award ceremony, at Tel Aviv Museum's Rezanai Hall, marked the beginning of an annual Tel Aviv event.

Among the award winners was Jerusalem Post staffer Helen Rossi, who founded the paper's Toy Fund, Forsake Me Not Campaign for the elderly and the Lebanon Campaign. She received her award for her work with the Tofia Fund for needy youth, and for raising funds for needy children in Tel Aviv and elsewhere in the country. Her award was received on her behalf by her son Dan.

Director of the city's welfare sec-



Helen Rossi

tion, Peretz Unikovski, said that the city has a 10-year master plan to improve welfare services to needy and elderly people.

The award winning volunteers, three of whom were men, were Rivka Blumenthal, of The Society for Fighting Multiple Sclerosis; Ruth Solomon, of Ilan, Rahel Or, of The Society for the Blind; Sonia Oren, of the

Women's Society for Rehabilitating Tel Aviv Children; Haya Meiner, of the Independent Consumers' Association; psychologist Miriam Riter Zidek of the Elkan Society for Rehabilitating Needy Youth; Attorney Yael Hantzi, of The Disabled People's Roof Organization, who gives free legal advice to disabled people; Esther Mevorach, of Ina, The Society for Helping Widows and Orphans; Zippora Netivi of Emma, who lends wedding dresses to brides; Emmy Weiss, of Enoch; Dina Tadmor, who looks after six families; Gila Karmi, Rosa Nivoni, of Rofek Hospital; Ruth Roter, of Beit Shimon Rehabilitation Center; Herta Liberman, of WIZO; Varda Yehiel, of Variety Club; Susy Vokot, of Yael; Margalit Tami and Hana Shukler who are active in Magen David Adom; Nehama Ashira, of Miha, The Association for Children Who Are Hard Of Hearing; teacher and painter Hava Kogan, who is active in special education institutions; Pessia Harufel, of Na'amat; Moshe Droni, of Nitzan, The Society for Helping Handicapped Children; Esther Roter of the Herut Women; Hava Hadari, of Eran mental first aid; Ben-Zion Melchior, of the Citizen's Advisory Service; Billie Rosen, of Shema, The Society for Rehabilitating Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons; Zvi Aloni and Zehava Ben-Ari, who represented a group of volunteer women active in elementary and high schools, helping pupils and parents.

BEGIN STUDIES

and a senior police investigator and two senior state advocates were appointed as special investigators. The commission was housed in the Popick building on the Givat Ram campus of the Hebrew University, and the building was specially renovated for the purpose.

The commission was formally appointed on October 1, began hearings on October 20 and completed these hearings and the summations of the "battery of legal advisers employed to advise the nine men on January 16. Various ministries and agencies, the IDF and Broadcasting Authority provided the commission with some 12,000 pages of documents, 49 witnesses appeared in 38 hearings (24 of these were in public) giving over 65 hours of testimony.

The staff investigators questioned 160 separate witnesses and the commission accumulated masses of newspaper clippings and TV film clips relating to the investigation.

Under the Commissions of Inquiry Law the commission may, but is not obliged to make recommendations to the cabinet. These recommendations are, by definition, not binding. But in the past, as in the case of the Agranat Commission which investigated the 1973-Yom Kippur War — where the recommendations were directed at the personal competence of individuals — the cabinet has accepted them. Where the recommendations relate to organizational structure and practice, or to policies, their acceptance and implementation has been reluctant and incomplete.

The commission is obliged under most circumstances to publish its report "shortly after its submission to the government," although it may withhold sections in the interests of security. Should it decide

not to publish, it must publish this decision on submitting the report to the government.

Should the commission, which is not entitled to commence legal proceedings, decide that there is room for such proceedings, a copy of its findings will be sent to the attorney-general.

Wolf Blitzer adds:

In Washington, the announcement that the findings would be made public today caused an immediate stir among senior administration officials at the White House, the State Department, the Pentagon and elsewhere throughout the government.

A State Department spokesman, Alan Romberg, declined to comment on a report in yesterday's *Washington Post* which quoted U.S. officials as hoping that the conclusions of the Kahane Commission will help break the deadlock in the Lebanese troop withdrawal negotiations, thereby enabling President Ronald Reagan's Middle East peace initiative to get off the ground.

The newspaper's diplomatic correspondent, John Goshko, said that the administration is particularly interested in seeing how the commission's report will affect the future political career of Defence Minister Ariel Sharon, widely viewed in Washington as the key to progress in the Lebanese talks.

Basketball results

The results of national league basketball matches played last night were:

Maccabi Tel Aviv 84; Hapoel Afula 82.
Hapoel Haifa 100; Hapoel Tel Aviv 86.

Maccabi Haifa 89; Betar Tel Aviv 85.

Hapoel Holon 96; Hapoel Upper Galilee 89.
Hapoel Gan Shmuel 106; Elitzur Tel Aviv 73



Defence Minister Ariel Sharon meets yesterday with members of the U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee in his Tel Aviv office. The senators are in Israel as guests of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee. From left: Sharon, Senator William S. Cohen, two aides to the American groups, Senators Quayle, Heinz and Wilson. (Israel Sun)

Knesset to get electronic voting soon

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN

Post Knesset Reporter

Electronic voting will be introduced in the Knesset in the near future, Speaker Menachem Savidor told the House Committee yesterday.

The new system will not only yield foolproof results of every vote, now often a source of vociferous argument, but it will provide a permanent record of the attendance of every MK (at voting time) and of how they voted.

Electronic voting may make superfluous the "quorum bill" which the Knesset debated at length yesterday, but which was not put to a vote.

This was at the request of

Shulamit Aloni (Alignment-CRM),

chairman of the Law Committee's subcommittee on basic laws, after she learned that the Likud had decided not to vote for the bill, although its members had supported it in the Law Committee.

The bill was initiated by Shaul members Mordechai Virshupski and Amnon Rubinstein, and approved by the Law Committee, which sent it to the plenum for its first reading.

The quorum of 25 laid down in the bill would apply only to the voting on the second and third readings of government bills.

It would not apply to attendance during debates, or to the first-reading vote, or to motions for the

agenda, or to Knesset resolutions.

Virshupski justified the limited scope of the bill by saying that nothing more far-reaching would have passed.

Rubinstein said that private members' bills had been excluded from the quorum requirement to make things easier for such bills to pass.

Michael Kleiner (Likud-Herut) said that the bill was way off target. It is precisely just before the voting that the chamber fills up, he said.

It would make much more sense, he said, to pass a law saying that if 25 MKs are not present during a debate, the debate is to be discontinued.

Aridor to request IS74b. addition to the budget

Post Economic Reporter

Finance Minister Yoram Aridor yesterday asked the Knesset Finance Committee to approve the addition of IS74 billion to the budget for the fiscal year ending next April.

Aridor's request was based on the third article of the budget law for the present year, which entitles the finance minister to add sums to the budget without the approval of the Knesset plenum or the government.

This article is designed to facilitate adjustments to the budget resulting from an inflation rate higher than forecasted.

According to the Treasury's request some IS36b. from the amount will be used for defence, IS7b. will

be directed to repayment of debts

and IS5b. will be used to subsidize basic commodities and to assist exports.

The rest, IS25b., will be used by the different government ministries.

The addition to the budget will not add to the deficit, because of the large increase in taxes collected by the Treasury as a result of the levies and taxes imposed last July after the start of Operation Peace for Galilee.

The Finance Committee is expected to start its debate on Aridor's request tomorrow. Some of its members told *The Jerusalem Post* that the minister has taken advantage of the law to present an additional budget without a Knesset debate.

Arabs ask to be conscripted

By YOEL DAR

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Dozens of Israeli Arabs have applied to the Defence Ministry to be conscripted into the army, government officials told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The applicants are Beduin Christians from villages in Western Galilee. In the village of Kaf Yasi, east of Acre, 12 young Christians submitted official applications to the Defence Ministry.

The new wave of volunteers started during the Lebanon War, when hundreds of Israeli Arabs expressed readiness to take part in the military effort.

So far the authorities have not initiated compulsory military service to Arabs, but they are allowed to serve as volunteers. The applicants explained they were motivated by the will to serve their country and to speed their integration into Israeli society.

"If we serve in the army nobody can put an obstacle in our way," one of the applicants wrote.

The government is to consider the applications before making a final decision. Communications Minister Mordechai Zorin is in favour of accepting them. In a meeting with Arab residents in Nazareth last November he said that "those who seek full rights must fulfil their duties as well."

5 held for drug-dealing in Jerusalem

Police in Jerusalem yesterday arrested five suspects and charged them with dealing in dangerous drugs. The five were seized in an apartment in the Romema district in which hashish, a revolver, and jewels thought to be stolen were found. Also discovered in the apartment were burglar's tools. (Hem)

MARATHON. — The anti-terror unit of the Border Police will take part in this year's Tel Aviv marathon to be held on Shushan Purim, February 28.

With great sorrow we announce the passing after a full life of our dear

Dr. ROBERT SPITZER

The funeral will be today, February 8, 1983, at Holon cemetery at 3 p.m. We will meet near the new gate.

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Dr. MOSHE MICHAEL
May she and her family be comforted among the mourners of Zion.

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on the passing of her beloved husband
Dr. MOSHE MICHAEL
May you be comforted among the mourners of Zion.
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Israel Residence Committee

In deep sorrow we announce the sudden passing of our beloved husband, father and grandfather
HENRY (HANOCH) GOLDBERG
The funeral will take place today, Tuesday, February 8, 1983, at the New Cemetery in Ramat Hasharon at 2:15 p.m. leaving from 23 Sderot Bialik, Ramat Hasharon, at 2:00 p.m.
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Grandchildren: Tamar and Haskell

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The Family

Shostak plays down hospital crisis

By MARGERY GREENFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Health Minister Eliezer Shostak yesterday labelled recent allegations of a "total breakdown" in government hospitals "untrue and exaggerated".

He was appearing before a special session of the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee called to discuss the situation in government hospitals, which hospital directors and department heads last week called "dangerously overcrowded and short-staffed."

Shostak told the committee that there was no truth in some doctors' claims that "patients are dying because hospitals cannot extend proper care."

"My conscience is clear," Shostak said, noting that the Health Ministry is continually building new medical facilities and trying to improve service. Beds must be added to relieve some of the pressure, he said, but first, existing beds must be properly utilized.

Part of the overcrowding is the result of patients coming straight to the emergency rooms, rather than going first to family doctors at sick-fund clinics, Shostak said. But most of the problem can be traced to the growing percentage of elderly persons in the population; 90 per cent of the overcrowding in emergency wards is because of old people, he said.

Dr. Ram Ishai, chairman of the Israel Medical Association, told the committee that the long-term solu-

tion to the hospital shortage is the development of a network of clinics offering primary care, which would transfer only patients in need of hospitalization to emergency wards.

But immediate action should be taken to add more employment slots for doctors, nurses and other medical and support staff to facilitate "a reasonable level" of patient care, Ishai said.

Ishai pointed to "hasty and improper implementation of the regional hospitalization plan" in 1981 as the major source of the problem. But Shostak told the committee that he was "proud" of the plan and of the fact that the ministry had actually added 600 new employment slots last year, when the budgets of other ministries had been cut.

Kupat Holim health fund director Prof. Haim Doron attacked the ministry's contention that the crisis stemmed from the failure of community health services and clinics to provide primary care. Two hundred thousand patients a day visit Kupat Holim clinics and the number of people seeking primary care in clinics has not dropped at all, he told the committee.

A problem exists in the extension of medical service after 7 p.m., when most clinics close, but this must be solved by the Health Ministry and the local councils, he said. The committee is scheduled to continue the discussion today.

Call to halt Phalangist harassment

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Chairmen of local Arab councils have appealed to the government to end the alleged harassment by Lebanese Christian Phalangists of Palestinians in Southern Lebanon.

The head of the national committee of local Arab councils, Ibrahim Nimr Hussein, yesterday cabled Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Defence Minister Ariel Sharon, asking them to intervene "before it is too late."

Hussein told *The Jerusalem Post* that he had reliable information that Phalangists recently murdered, robbed and tortured Palestinians in the refugee camps in an attempt to drive them from Lebanon. According to his information, the widow of assassinated president-elect Bashir Jemayel is behind the attacks.

The chairman of Majd el-Kurum local council, Mohammed Mannah, says he has similar information. He said yesterday that the harassment had affected former residents of his village who had fled to Lebanon in 1948.

It was learned that several Palestinian emissaries recently secretly crossed the border from Lebanon to persuade their relatives and friends in the Galilee to ask the Israeli government to stop the attacks on them.

Hussein claims that the Israelis are responsible for protecting innocent civilians in Lebanon. He said the government should take action before there are massacres on the scale of those that took place last year in the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps.

It is reported that a deputation of leaders of the refugee camps in Lebanon have appealed to the Israeli Defence Forces to strengthen their guard on the camps, especially on the Ein Hilwe camp at Sidon.

The deputation complained that Phalangists are entering the camps and harassing the Palestinians.

Levy symbolizes social revolution, biographer says

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The rise of Deputy Prime Minister David Levy symbolizes the socio-demographic change taking place in which "the second Israel" is becoming part of "the first," Levy's biographer Arie Avneri told reporters here yesterday as his new book went on sale.

"It used to be enough to have one or two Sephardi ministers in minor positions," Avneri said. "Today, that's no longer so. Levy, the man who came up from the bottom, got where he is on the basis of his abilities and never used his ethnic origins for political gain."

The biography claims that although it was long assumed that the position of deputy prime minister was given to Levy to compensate for the loss of the absorption portfolio, in fact Prime Minister Menachem Begin offered Levy the deputy premiership as soon as he began forming the government and before the absorption issue came up.

Avneri writes that announcement of the appointment was delayed at the request of the other deputy prime minister, Simcha Erlich, who felt his own position was being undermined.

Labour council urges buying blue-and-white

HAIFA. — The Haifa Labour Council has appealed to all works committees under its jurisdiction to give preference to Israeli-made goods when selecting gifts for workers for Passover.

Council Secretary Moshe Wertman noted that by purchasing locally-made goods they would assist factories to overcome the present drop in demand and express solidarity with workers in hard-pressed plants.



Yair Stern
Yair Stern picked to head TV news

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yair Stern, the editor of *Mabat* news, was chosen yesterday as director of Israel TV's news department, filling a post that has been vacant for a year.

Stern, a news editor and former deputy head of the TV journalists' works committee, was chosen from among eight candidates in an open tender.

Stern, son of the late Lehi underground fighter, Avraham "Yair" Stern, will serve a three-year term in the job. A tender to fill Stern's post as *Mabat* editor will be published soon.

Meanwhile, the Broadcasting Authority plenum decided yesterday that Kol Yisrael radio's Second Programme will start broadcasting 24 hours a day as a six-month experiment, in a bid to compete with Galei Zahal, the Army Programme, which has succeeded in winning away many listeners from Kol Yisrael.

Additional budget will not be needed, according to the authority, because commercial advertisements will cover expenses.

The plenum also decided in principle to separate radio's First Programme into AM and FM, so that a greater variety of programmes will be available to music lovers.

Argov suspect 'had map of embassy'

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — Plans of the Israel Embassy in London were allegedly found in the home of Naouf Rosan, one of the three Arabs accused of the attempted murder of ambassador Shlomo Argov last June, it was stated at the central criminal court yesterday. Rosan, 36, an Iraqi, and Jordanians Marwan al-Banna, 21, and Hussein Sa'id, 23, are on trial for the attempted murder.

A letter was read to the court which had been sent to Rosan in May last year suggesting the embassy of the United Arab Emirates as a target for a "hit."

The letter said the embassy should be "hit" because "they handed over our comrades to Jordan without mercy. The embassy and its employees and other related organizations must be hit. No-one must be spared. This task can be dealt with either by liquidating individuals or by throwing bombs."

"Your target must be destroyed. A state of war exists and they must be taught a lesson."

The letter also referred to the *Jewish Chronicle* as a "good way of obtaining information and an excellent target to hit."

Awards given for Lebanon war medical services

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Health Ministry yesterday awarded three special prizes for outstanding work during Operation Peace for Galilee at a ceremony attended by Health Minister Eliezer Shostak and ministry Director-General Prof. Baruch Modan. The prizes went to:

• The dialysis unit at the Nahariya government hospital, for care of Lebanese patients unable to continue with their regular treatments

due to the war.

• Shmuel Harofeh hospital in Ramle for care of wounded prisoners of war, especially in the surgical department. Representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross praised the hospital's work with the POWs during a visit there several months ago.

• The Health Ministry's emergency services department, for aiding the country's medical facilities in coping with the influx of wounded soldiers.



An accident could have happened if the driver of the vehicle in the left lane had proceeded straight ahead, as the arrows painted on the roadway indicate he is permitted, while the driver beside him had turned left. The hazardous road signs are at the junction of Yirmiyahu and Shagar streets in the Romema quarter of Jerusalem.

(Oded Avidani)

Burg claims sovereignty over Israeli Arab affairs

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

In what appeared to be an attack on the office of the prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs, Religious Affairs Minister Yosef Burg said yesterday that Israel's Arabs are full-fledged citizens and should be treated as such.

Speaking at a press conference in Jerusalem to mark the first anniversary of the appointment of Rabbi Moshe Solomon as the ministry's director-general, Burg said that matters concerning Moslems should be handled by the ministry rather than the adviser. Solomon, has, in fact, set up a department for

religions other than Jewish.

Contacted yesterday by *The Jerusalem Post*, Benjamin Gur-Arye, the prime minister's adviser on Arab affairs, said that he does not deal with religious matters. He said that the division of functions was a political question, which he, as a civil servant, had no say.

Concerning the Chief Rabbinate elections which are scheduled to take place on March 15, Burg said that the elections committee is continuing to work, although the Knesset has yet to act upon his suggestion that Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef continue as Chief Rabbi and Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren become head of the rabbinical court.

Solomon told the press conference that the ministry had published pamphlets advising Jewish citizens of their religious rights, and that similar pamphlets would be published for non-Jews.

Police told not to expel Armenian cleric—Burg

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Interior Minister Yosef Burg told a news conference in Jerusalem yesterday that he had ordered the police not to expel Armenian Grand Sacristan Archbishop Karekin Kazanjian, although the Interior Ministry still refuses to extend the cleric's visa.

No reasons have been given for the refusal and Armenian officials have accused the Israeli authorities of meddling in internal church matters.

Kazanjian, an Australian, is the second ranking Armenian church official in the country. His rival, Archbishop Shabe Ajamian, was ousted as chancellor by the church in 1981, amid rumours that he had made unauthorized sales of church lands to Israelis.

CORRECTION. — Henrietta Szold died in 1945, not in 1935, as erroneously stated on page 5 yesterday.

Poll: Shinui's Rubinstein is most conspicuous of MKs

By MARK SEGAL
Post Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV. — Shinui party Chairman Amnon Rubinstein tops the list of the 10 most noticed MKs in the past year, beating Labour's Yossi Sarid who headed the previous list. Herut Knesset faction chairman Ronnie Milo comes in third.

This emerged from a *Jerusalem Post* poll conducted by the Mod'in Ezrachi research institute among a representative sample of 1,929 adults in the first part of part of January.

It appears that Rubinstein's prominent role in the campaign forcing the government to appoint the inquiry commission into the Beirut massacre contributed greatly towards winning him first place in public attention.

Mod'in Ezrachi director Sara Shemer pointed out that the list of most noticed MKs was drawn up from the preference of one-third of the sample, the other two-thirds singling out cabinet ministers who are also MKs.

Q. "Which MKs stood out most in the past year?"

| | January 1982 | May 1982 |
|--------------------|--------------|----------|
| Amnon Rubinstein | 27.7 | 6.8 |
| Yossi Sarid | 18.7 | 12.5 |
| Ronnie Milo | 10.7 | 3.5 |
| Yitzhak Rabin | 8.3 | 8.8 |
| Elon Olmert | 6.7 | 4.3 |
| Galia Cohen | 5.8 | 8.8 |
| Avraham Shapira | 5.0 | 4.4 |
| Mordechai Vinitzki | 4.3 | 5.1 |
| Shimon Peres | 3.3 | 8.3 |
| Shaul Mofaz | 3.0 | 4.7 |
| Other MKs | 38.3 | 33.6 |

In this poll as in others, Rabin is way ahead of Peres. Yet it is noticeable that Shinui with its two MKs does better than the 50-strong Labour Party.

Government to bail out council in North

By YOEL DAR
Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — The government will cover the deficit of the Ma'alot-Tarshiha local council, the only Jewish-Arab local council in the country, in order to enable it to function properly, the Prime Minister's adviser on Arab affairs said yesterday.

Benjamin Gur-Arye told *The Jerusalem Post* that the Education Ministry will build a new schoolhouse in Tarshiha, the Energy Ministry will extend the electric network to new Arab houses and the Interior Ministry is looking into ways to increase the grants given to the joint council. Gur-Arye's office will help the local council solve the housing and social

problems of some 300 Beduin families whose homes were appropriated to the jurisdiction of Ma'alot-Tarshiha five years ago, he added.

"Ma'alot-Tarshiha is the only joint Jewish-Arab council in the country, therefore we have to do our best to protect its interests," Gur-Arye said.

The Ma'alot-Tarshiha local council was set up 18 years ago by the Interior Ministry to provide municipal services to the newcomers of Ma'alot and to the Arab residents, mostly Christians, of Tarshiha.

Last month the chairman of the council proposed dissolving it in the face of financial difficulties. The Interior Ministry rejected the plan.

Parley set on psychiatry and the law

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A wide spectrum of problems in psychiatry and the law will be discussed at the first international Congress on Psychiatry, Law and Ethics, to be held here February 20 to 24.

At a press conference yesterday the organizers said some 200 specialists, two-thirds of them psychiatrists and the others jurists and rabbis, will take part in the meeting at the Dan Carmel Hotel. Half the

participants will come from Western Europe, the U.S., Japan, New Zealand, India, Nigeria and Rumania.

Professor Albert Hefez and Dr. Eli Gruner of the Rambam Hospital and lawyer Joel Levi said 120 papers will be read at the meeting. Subjects will include ethical problems of psychiatry; legislation in the field of mental illness, the problems of psychiatrists' evidence at criminal trials and the religious-psychological attitude to crime.

Jewish war veterans to attend Jerusalem assembly

By HAIM SHAPIRO

Jewish war veterans from all over the world are to attend the third World Assembly of Jewish War Veterans, opening on February 20 in Jerusalem.

At a press conference yesterday Esther Herlitz, who heads the Israel organizing committee, said some 500 participants are expected from abroad, with an additional 400 from Israel.

Among those attending will be veterans from the U.S., UK, France, South Africa, Austria,

Finland, Belgium and Denmark, with others who served in the Red Army and in the Free Polish Forces. Honorary president of the gathering will be Major Edmond de Rothschild, of England.

The oldest delegate expected is 92-year-old Joseph Berman of London, who once served as Vladimir Jabotinsky's secretary in the Jewish Legion in World War I.

Guard arrested after 38 sheep stolen

The guard at the Jerusalem municipal slaughterhouse at Shuafat was arrested yesterday on suspicion of stealing 38 sheep worth \$5250,000. Earlier yesterday, the guard had told police that a gang of four men brandishing submachine guns had overpowered him and stolen the sheep. However, after investigation the police arrested the guard. (Iim)

Eighteen graduate from course in care of elderly

RA'ANANA (Iim). — Eighteen young women this week completed a course in care for the elderly at the Kupat Holim's rehabilitation centre, Beit Levinstein. Sixteen of the graduates are from kibbutzim and the rest from moshavim.

A fortnightly selection of shopping and services in the Sharon area, highlighting Ramat Hasharon, Raanana, Herzliya and Kfar Shmaryahu.

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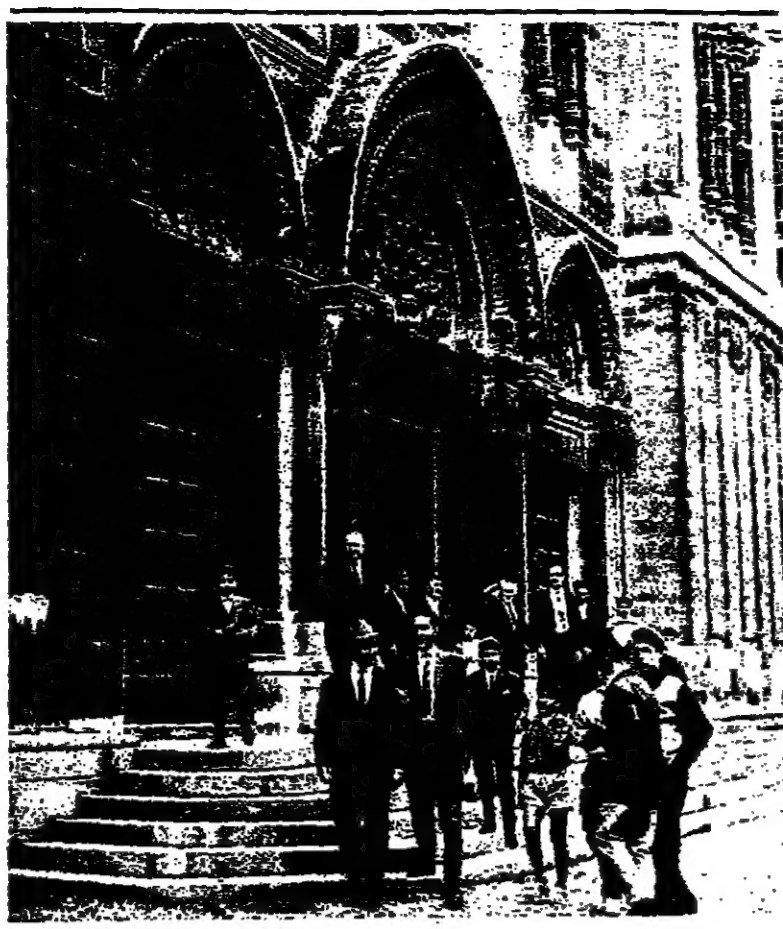
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Reviving a community

By MARK SEGAL/Post Political Correspondent



French Jews outside a synagogue in Bordeaux.

Ambassador Meir Rosenne, with whom he himself had studied at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques in the early 1950s. He praised Rosenne for his courageous performance in such difficult circumstances.

Here he returned to the theme of rejuvenating CRIF. "If we had been

properly organized and had another voice speaking out clearly on Israel, French Jews would not have felt so isolated in the face of the concerted campaign, containing so much disinformation."

Generally speaking, work for Israel had replaced religion as the force binding French Jewry. There was a lack of Jewish education, and no Zionist organization as such.

"The official Zionist movement can be compared to a house with a roof but no walls. There are many office-holders without followers, purporting to represent the various Zionist factions. But they have no real influence on the average Jewish household."

Communal work and fund-raising are difficult within the Jewish community, said Knoll, because of the tradition in French society generally against joining organizations and giving money to worthy causes. This stemmed from Napoleon's declaration: "I don't want anything between the state and the people." A Frenchman considered a donation of 50 francs to his parish church a sizeable gift, and the really wealthy French Jews were notorious for contributing little, if anything, to the Jewish funds and the JNF. It was the middle classes and the poorer Jews who had to be relied on to fill the blue box.

THE CHAIRMAN of the JNF regards the organization as "Israel's best shop-window," but is most unhappy with some of the material sent to Paris from its headquarters in Jerusalem. He wishes they would appreciate that the people on the spot know best what material is most suitable for local conditions.

What is appropriate for the U.S. or Brazil is not always right for a French-speaking audience, even if it is translated into French.

In 1982, he said, French JNF took the initiative in making a documentary about Israel concentrating on the classical Zionist message of reclaiming the wilderness, the ingathering of the exiles, and so forth. "At a time when French audiences were being told of Israeli 'fascists' in Beirut, we felt we should counter with pictures of Israel at work, and of how Zionism was interested in the environment long before ecology became fashionable."

The documentary — which cost \$500,000 to produce — was screened on French Television's religious programme, reaching one million viewers. "It was a marked success. I got a letter from a woman in Lyons, who enclosed a donation of 100 francs. She wrote 'I'm not Jewish but I feel after seeing the programme that I must give something.' There was also the priest who sent a small donation, plus a letter expressing his wish to send a group of schoolchildren to visit the Holy Land to witness for themselves what is being done there. One outcome of the film and other JNF work is the current visit to Israel of a group of 50 prominent citizens of Strasbourg, led by an eminent professor of philosophy."

The Paris lawyer was born in Lorraine, his pharmacist wife in Paris. His family managed to survive World War II in the Pyrenees village of Pau, where the local people concealed them. While conceding that many Jews were saved by kind-hearted Frenchmen, he complained that there were still too many around who had enthusiastically collaborated with the Germans in handing over Jews for deportation to death camps.

Passionate pilgrimage

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THAT TOURISM can promote greater understanding between people is an oft-quoted cliché, but it is rare to see this idea in action.

Pilgrims to the Holy Land, a group of 24 Christian clergymen from the Denver, Colorado area, was organized by a Denver rabbi, Stanley Wagner, in an effort to increase contact between Catholics, Protestants and Jews. He felt that if the Christians saw the Jews in their own state, they would have greater understanding of their Jewish neighbours at home.

When the clergymen return to Denver at the end of this week, each will organize a group from his church to come with him to Israel. The 24 clergymen could eventually bring over 10,000 visitors. Meanwhile, the group plans to meet every few months to keep abreast of the situation in Israel.

Three of the Protestant ministers in the group — Ronald Swenson, a Lutheran, and Allen Maruyama and Les Avery, both Presbyterians — admitted that much of what they saw was as they had imagined it. What did surprise them, despite their background, was the geographical smallness of the land; with some biblical sites only minutes from each other.

THEY SEEMED more impressed by the Jewish sites, especially the Western Wall and Masada, where they felt an atmosphere of authenticity, than by churches, which they felt seemed to cover up, rather than expose, the life of Jesus. An exception was a section of pavement underneath the convent of the Sisters of Zion in the Old City, a stretch that might have been part of the original Via Dolorosa.

The ministers said that anti-Semitism is currently on the upswing in the U.S. There have been increasing incidents of hate literature being distributed and they felt they must go into the community to fight this. For this reason they were happy to have the opportunity to come to Israel to gain a new perspective. They stressed that their group is not political, but is interested instead, in promoting a religious and cultural exchange. If we truly know each other then we respect and love each other, one said.

Accompanying the group was R'oz Duman, director of the regional office of the American-Israel Friendship League, a new group dedicated to promoting greater understanding of the Jewish State. It was coincidental, she said, that the Pilgrims group was organized just as the league was setting up office in Denver.

Kibbutz discovery

By LEA LEVAVI/Jerusalem Post Reporter

because they're not busy cooking or cleaning."

"How can you talk about one kind of parent-child interaction being 'quality time' and another not being 'quality time'?" asks fifth-grade teacher Debby Hill. "Even something like doing the dishes together can bring parents and children closer."

THIS DISCUSSION of the pros and cons of the kibbutz house isn't limited to the American teachers. On Kibbutz Yakum itself, the subject is being reconsidered: "I raised my children this way, and I think they're happy. I'm not saying whether I'm for or against changing our child-rearing practices; that's for the younger generation to decide. A change now will limit the women's activities, though."

"I think the women here are already less active than I'd like to see them, but if the children live with them, only one spouse will be able to go to kibbutz meetings or evening cultural activities."

The American teachers say they found the kibbutz children alert and interested in learning about how other children outside the kibbutz live and learn. Both the school and the teachers on the kibbutz are interested in exchange visits between elementary school classes.

THE KIBBUTZ is one of two projects in which the school is involved. The other is an archaeological dig at Apollonia, not far from the Kfar Shmaryahu campus.

"We put up the money and Tel Aviv University provides the expertise," says Forrest Broman,

superintendent of the school.

Archaeological students at the site say the American students are better behaved and listen to their teachers more than Israeli youngsters who volunteer at the site. As for the young volunteers themselves, three sixth-graders stopped squealing with delight over a pot fragment they'd found long enough to say how much fun it was to find things and how much they enjoyed learning about the Crusades by digging up fragments from the time.

In addition to being part of the schools' programme, the kibbutz and archaeological dig are two of the ways children can choose to spend the annual Week Without Walls, an educational experience outside the classroom.

There are, however, other attractions. Last year, a group went on a camel trip through Sinai, while another took an art and history tour of Rome, Florence and Siena. Children who enjoy sketching can visit picturesque sites around Israel,

and draw them under the supervision of an art teacher.

For the coming Week Without Walls — scheduled for March 14 through March 19 — the school is offering a boat trip up the Nile to Luxor. A band and orchestra recently organized at the school will probably tour Israel; they will give concerts at schools and kibbutzim, meet people and learn about the country as they go.

"When they first hear about the Week Without Walls, they think it's a holiday from school," says Broman. "The truth is, however, that if we didn't stick in some learning and structure via the back door, they'd be bored after two days and the whole idea would fail."

Broman says that most projects within Israel are designed to help students see more of the country, and see it more positively.

"If children feel positive about where they are, it also helps their learning," Broman adds, speaking not only as an educator but as a veteran settler who wants his pupils to like the country.

Therapy for the sweater set

By HELGA DUDMAN/Jerusalem Post Reporter

A FUN new therapy workshop and guidance clinic structured to add creativity to the stress of putting on sweaters will soon open in Israel. Staffed by skilled counsellors (and here and there an unskilled one, because it isn't always possible to distinguish), the course of 204 sessions is designed to help participants achieve openness and sensitivity in putting on sweaters.

Selecting the sweater of the day, which is a whole different kettle of fish, cannot meaningfully be covered within the framework of these introductory sessions.

But, you may say, people have been putting on sweaters for years without carrying on like this. True, in a limited way. But such an attitude (usually indicating rigidity, immaturity, and even deep-seated fear) fails to perceive that in today's dynamic, answer-seeking terms, literally millions of opportunities are being lost daily for insightful and meaningful analyses of both self and situation.

The turtleneck ("golf") will be stressed. A special panel of revered experts will answer questions on "How to get the most out of getting into your turtleneck in Israel: unique challenge or turtle shock?" Participants will learn the ludicrously simple "Step-Breakdown" approach, through which several months are devoted to breaking down and writing down on little pieces of paper such isolated steps as:

A) Grasping shoulders of turtleneck between thumb and forefinger of each hand; B) Shaking garment gently; C) Laying it on bed; D) Thinking: Maybe I should get back into bed; E) Asking honestly: "Am I lovable? What are my unique needs?" And now, head first or hands first?

Using simple props, the leader will ask the group to work through the real meanings of head first vs. hands first. Case studies will be presented of real-life anxieties such as getting the head caught in there and staggering blindly around the room. Playfulness can be an enormously useful breakthrough here, as in giving a muffled cry, "Wheel! I'm a baby elephant!"

TO FURTHER lighten the atmosphere, it is useful to divide the group into "Headsies" and "Handsies," each team acting out in dramatic or dance form the sequence of its choice. This appeals to the more openly aware, or Anglo-Saxon, participants.

The sex bit will be discussed frankly, but with dignity. ("The Tight Sweater: On Women"; "The Short Sweater: On Paunchy Men"). The Cardigan Problem will not be neglected, and participants will learn the seven easy steps for handling situations in which they are told by close friends that they have buttoned it up wrong.

Turtle-wise, the group will also explore the comparative awareness-dimensions of Zipper or Stretch. Rewarding results may be expected from digging around in previously unprobed areas: "Do I hate myself when my hair gets caught in the zipper? Is it spontaneity or aggression when I yank the poor turtle down over my head, sometimes even brutally, or while wearing spectacles or over face cream?"

Evaluations and certificates will be passed out at the final session, to take place next summer in an air-conditioned auditorium, in an atmosphere of hilarity and embarrassment. And next year we will learn how to take sweaters off meaningfully and openly.

The Hut — Ben-Gurion's Home
in Kibbutz Sde Boker

To permit maintenance work, the hut will be closed to visitors from February 11 at 11.00 a.m. until February 13. The hut is normally open daily, 8.30 a.m.-3.30 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays and holidays, 9.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m.

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Airlines score El Al's marketing policy

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Panel of Foreign Airlines in Israel yesterday voiced unanimous opposition to El Al's new marketing policy, which consists of drastic fare reductions and under the counter gifts. "This is not the way we would like to see El Al get back into the market," panel spokesman Eli Messer, the manager of Air Austria, told a meeting of panel members and the press.

Messer said that all the foreign airlines welcome El Al back after a four-month hiatus and would like to help the national carrier, but not in the way in which El Al is acting. "We hope that after the period allotted for the new marketing policy,

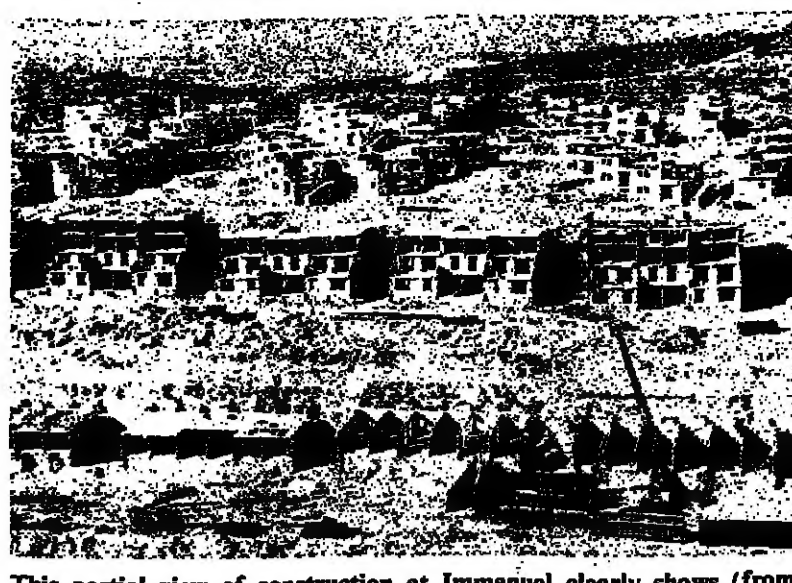
El Al will continue its full operations without gifts, under or over the counter," he said.

Panel chairman and TWA manager Edward Frankfurt said that TWA had been losing money for the past three years and was not prepared to lose more money on its routes to Israel due to El Al's new marketing policy. But the panel would not act jointly against this policy, it was learned. Each country which objected to it would act on its own.

Messer said that the panel was also opposed to the Transport Ministry's handling of the charter flight regulations, which are not enforced. Despite the foreign airline's protests, nothing has been done by

the ministry to improve the situation. As a result charter flights continue to mix groups and sell fictitious land arrangements. "Even some of the existing regulations are unsuitable and do not exist in other tourism countries, such as Greece, Spain, Switzerland and Austria," he said.

The panel congratulated El Al on its recovery and commended its own members for continuing flights to Israel throughout the El Al crisis and the war in Lebanon. "Any tourist who wanted to come to Israel could do so, because every foreign airline did its utmost for Israel and for tourism, and maintained the country's air connections," Frankfurt said.



This partial view of construction at Immanuel clearly shows (from bottom to top) the increasing stages of readiness of flats. (Israel Sun)

Immanuel said ready for first residents this summer

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The first 400 families, numbering about 2,500 individuals, will move into the town of Immanuel (14 km. east of the Green Line from Kfar Sava) this summer, representatives of the Kochav Hashomron company, which is building the new religious town, told reporters here on Sunday.

Housing, has developed a plan whereby large families otherwise unable to buy their own flat can do so for \$100 a month over 20 years.

The company has opened an office in New York and has already attracted over 60 immigrant families. Offices are also expected to open in London, Antwerp and other European cities.

In addition to attracting potential olim, the New York office has negotiated for the purchase of electric trolleys, which will provide public transportation within the town.

Transportation to and from Immanuel is already being provided by the Dan bus cooperative and will become more frequent when people begin moving there.

The other purpose of the New York office is to attract investors who will build science-based industries in Immanuel. Progress has been made in this, the company representatives said, but details must wait until the deals are closed.

'Brain drain' from Jerusalem to T.A.

By AARON SITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem is being hit by a "brain drain" as an increasing number of young men and women, unable to find jobs in their fields of study, leave the capital and take up residence in the Tel Aviv area.

According to the Jerusalem branch of the Manufacturers Association, the problem is especially acute among electronic and mechanical engineers, electronic technicians, systems analysts, computer programmers and other workers in related fields.

At a meeting this week at association headquarters, dozens of such

workers told of the difficulties of commuting to work in the coastal plain. All said the daily travel is so tiring that they have decided to move away from Jerusalem as soon as they could.

Association chairman Avner Peretz claims Jerusalem is losing about 1,000 young couples each year because they cannot find suitable employment in the city.

Major Teddy Kollek has also voiced concern at the exodus of young people from the capital.

Peretz said he will appeal to local industrialists to give preferential treatment to Jerusalemites when hiring staff.

Laser Industries ahead in 3rd quarter

Post Economic Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The management of Laser Industries (LAS on the American Stock Exchange) yesterday announced increased sales and earnings on a quarter to quarter basis for the current fiscal year, as it released its third quarter and nine month results ending December 31, 1982.

Net sales for the third quarter, ending December 31, 1982, were \$2,110,000 as compared with \$1,916,000 for the second. Third quarter net earnings were \$167,000 as compared with \$158,000 for the second quarter.

David Meridor, president of the

company, said that he expected the quarter to quarter growth trend in sales and earnings to continue.

Nine-month sales were \$5,782,000 and net earnings were \$394,000. Although profit margins were lower this year when compared with last year's figures, last year's statements included sales by the company to its U.S. distributor, whose firm was subsequently acquired by the company. For this reason a year-to-year comparison was less indicative of growth trends than the quarter-to-quarter comparison.

Meridor also pointed out that this year there have been increased expenditures in marketing.

Diamond branch pleads for equality with rest of industry

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Representatives of the diamond industry yesterday begged the Finance Ministry to stop treating their branch as if it was the "unwanted orphan" of the country's industrial family.

"We are only demanding equality with other foreign currency earning industries," Moshe Shmitzer, president of the Diamond Exchange, said. Mordechai Noam, president of the Diamond Manufacturers Association, added that if the industry received the same help as was given to export industries, the number of workers in it could rise from the present 7,500 to 9,500, and perhaps to 10,500. Exports, which stood at \$905 million in 1982, could be increased by 20 to 25 percent.

The crux of the matter is that the increasing gap between foreign currency income and the cost-of-living index has made Israeli workers about 25-30 per cent more expensive than those of Belgium. Government help could reduce this difference between what a worker is paid in Belgium and in Israel to about ten per cent (productivity here is about ten per cent higher than in Belgium, so the difference will disappear). Thus, the industry here could start to work on smaller stones and still make a profit, the speakers said.

The London Syndicate, which controlled the supply of 85 to 90 per cent of all rough stones, was ready to provide the small stones — but if the offer was not taken up in a few weeks, the Syndicate said it would look for polishers in the Far East, where labour is very cheap.

At present, according to the speakers, the industry enjoys government benefits totalling only \$1m. a year, and this was the 4.1 per cent they received on each dollar of added value. They claimed that the added value was about 26 per cent. They now wanted approximately another \$19 m., which would be used equally as exchange rate guarantee and to finance exports.

Thus, equality with other industries would only cost the Finance Ministry \$19m. a year. It would provide 2,000 to 3,000 persons with work, and increase exports by \$200m. to \$300m. a year.

"So far," Shmitzer said, "the Finance Ministry consistently has turned a deaf ear, although the Knesset Economic Committee unanimously recommended that the industry get help."

Schmitzer pointed out that the diamond industry, which had suffered several "terrible years," was now beginning to come out of its slump. (Exports were as high as \$1,400m. several years ago.)

He added that despite the economic slump in the world, "women still insist on having their diamonds, even if the stones are smaller and not of such fine quality."

In the U.S. 83 per cent of all women wear diamonds, in West Germany 74 per cent, and in Japan 73 per cent (it was only 60 per cent a few years ago), he said.

The industry's ability to come out of the "terrible years" was shown by the fact that three years ago it owed the banks \$1,200m. Some \$750m. has been paid off to date, he said.

Denial of Hungary-Israel cartel on goose liver exports

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — No cartel agreement has been signed or is about to be signed between Israel and Hungary on the sale of goose liver to France, the director general of the Agriculture Ministry, according to Meir Ben-Meir.

He was commenting on reports that Israeli officials had recently been in Hungary to sign a cartel agreement on the sale of goose liver to France. Israel sells France about 250 tons of goose liver a year, while Hungary exports about 800 tons, making it the main supplier of this commodity to France.

The Post learned that the Hungarian government had invited Israeli government officials for talks on this matter and that certain officials went to Budapest, including the ministry's deputy-director general for production, Dan Yarden, and the head of the Paris office of Agrexco, Dr. Arieh Dagan.

The ministry spokesman Naphali Yaniv, told The Post that a ministry official visited Budapest, but that he did not have the authority to sign any agreement and that no agreements were signed. The official was in Hungary to study the way the Hungarians raise geese, their production methods for goose liver and their marketing approach.

The Post has learned that Dr. Dagan was in a telephone conversation severely taken to task by his superiors, and that he is being called back to Israel to explain why he leaked such a delicate matter to the news media. This is in the wake of growing fears by the local goose breeders that this report may be misunderstood and cause harm to Israel's exports.

In another matter the spokesman denied reports that there had been \$2.50 million losses in recent exports of avocados to France. He explained that this year there is complete understanding between the two Israeli produce exporters selling avocados to France, Agrexco and Hillron. "Because of this, there is no cut-throat competition and Israeli farmers have not lost money," the spokesman said.

The Agrexco spokesman told The Post that there has been a shortage of vegetables for export to Europe over the past few weeks due mainly to the harsh weather conditions. He said he is optimistic that with the return of sunny weather exports to Europe will increase again.

The head of the vegetable division of Agrexco said however, that this year there would be fewer exports of vegetables to Europe than in previous years. This is the result of a government decision to cut down on vegetable exports following last year's losses in this field.

ASSISTANCE. — Possible East German assistance for Egypt's five-year development plan was discussed recently in a Cairo meeting between Egyptian Minister of Industry Foad abu Zaghal and East Germany's Minister of Foreign Trade Horst Soelle.

Israel Lands Administration
Jerusalem District
Offer for lease of Maximum Construction Site at Kiryat Gat
Tender No. JM/82/85

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for a development contract for an area, details of which at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

| Urban building plan no. | Plot | Approx. area (sq.m.) | Development costs (IS*) | Minimum price (IS) | Deposit (IS) |
|-------------------------|------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 1/108/03/9 | 29 | 2430 | 4,715,000 | 3,725,794 | 185,000 |

The plot, in accordance with the urban building plan, is intended for a 3-4 storey residential building, with 48 permitted housing units totalling 140% with 35% for each floor.

* To be paid separately to the Israel Lands Administration in accordance with its usual conditions. Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Jerusalem district office, 34 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, 12th floor, Tel. 224121 during regular working hours.

Deadline for submitting tender bids is February 28, 1983. Bids not in the tender postbox by the above time, will not be considered.

The Israel Lands Administration does not undertake to accept the highest or any bid.

Jerusalem District
Offer for Lease of Maximum Construction Sites at Talpiot Quarter, East Jerusalem
The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for a development contract for areas, details of which at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

| Tender no. | Urban building plan no. | Plot no. | No. of housing units | Approx. area (sq.m.) | Development costs (IS*) | Minimum price (IS) | Deposit (IS) |
|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| JM/82/86 | 2820 | 11 | 22 | 4580 | 5,189,370 | 9,794,830 | 500,000 |
| JM/82/87 | 2820 | 12 | 22 | 4420 | 4,697,490 | 9,459,450 | 500,000 |

Total built-up area in each plot is 3000 sq.m.

* Linked to 1982 building/leasing index, and to be paid separately to Ministry of Construction and Housing, in accordance with usual Ministry of Construction and Housing payment arrangements. Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Jerusalem district office, 34 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, 12th floor, Tel. 224121 during regular working hours.

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Jerusalem District
Offer for Lease of Maximum Construction Sites in Sanhedria Quarter, Jerusalem
Tender No. JM/82/88

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for a development contract for the area, details of which at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

| Block | Plot parcel | Approx. area (sq.m.) | Development costs (IS*) | Minimum price (IS) | Deposit (IS) |
|-------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 30244 | 70 | 885 | 2,000,000 | 5,518,400 | 250,000 |

In accordance with Urban building plan 1868/A, total building percentage is to be 90% for three storeys. The permitted building percentages have been computed on the basis of the plot before parcelation, i.e. 90% of 1098 sq.m. totalling a licensed area of 988 sq.m.

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Jerusalem District
Offer for Lease of Maximum Building Sites in Ashkelon — South Shimshon
Tender No. JM/82/89

The Israel Lands Administration invites bids for a development contract for the area, details of which at the time of publication of the tender, were as follows:

| Blocks | Plot | Approx. area (sq.m.) | Development costs (IS*) | Minimum price (IS) | Deposit (IS) |
|------------|------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| 1844, 1845 | 188 | 15,480 | 12,880,173 | 10,250,800 | 500,000 |

In accordance with urban building plan 170/03/4, it will be possible to build 83 housing units. Maximum size of a housing unit is 150 sq.m.; average housing unit size, 110 sq.m.

* Linked to December 1982 building index, and to be paid separately to the Israel Lands Administration, under its usual credit conditions. Details, sample contracts and bid forms are available at our Jerusalem district office, 34 Rehov Ben-Yehuda, 12th floor, Tel. 224121 during regular working hours.

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TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS

3 Plain to many a listener (5)

8 Pay out £50 just to be chummy (5)

10 Abnormal pleas may be a bit of a bloomer (5)

11 Start searching a large area (3)

12 Runs away from resting places (5)

13 Be constantly on the spot (4, 3)

15 One may read them at odd times (5)

18 A prohibitive degree of banality (3)

19 Fix up some apparatus that may be endlessly lasting (6)

21 Glory time for a flower (7)

22 Pray aloud for the victim (4)

23 Intend to take me and one more (4)

24 Soldier or gleaner, possibly (7)

26 Timely bells (6)

29 Fishy hoax (3)

31 Taken in (5)

32 How prices rise when one gets soaked (7)

34 A last edition of a book (5)

35 Bad, but not, completely villainous (6)

36 Eleanor gets a letter and a ring (5)

37 Make a fitting test of (3, 2)

38 Figure in various events (5)

DOWN

1 Putty turned pale (5)

2 Lad who makes a drama of his pleasures? (7)

4 The clumsy fellow pounds away (4)

5 Enquiring about an Anglo Saxon monarch (6)

6 Lies in the forest somewhere (5)

7 Form of magma con-

EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS

3 Brittle (5)

8 Neutered fowl (5)

10 Melodies (5)

11 Ignited (3)

12 Academy award (5)

13 Try (7)

15 Property contract (5)

18 Short sleep (3)

19 Votes into office (6)

21 Performer (7)

22 Conservative (4)

23 Sicilian volcano (4)

24 Sideways (7)

26 Evaluate (6)

29 Friend (3)

31 Skins (5)

32 Good wishes (7)

34 Hollow cylinders (5)

35 Debtor's note (3)

36 Flower (5)

37 Build (5)

38 Impoverished (5)

DOWN

1 Dance (5)

2 Power (7)

4 Corrode (4)

5 Theatre seats (6)

6 Soup (5)

7 Smallest (5)

9 Mine (3)

12 Tyrannise (7)

14 Rug (3)

16 Sharp (5)

17 Composition (5)

19 Gets away (7)

20 Thong (5)

21 Crop up (5)

23 Pastries (7)

24 Take for granted (6)

25 Scold persistently (3)

27 Vends (5)

28 "— John," popstar (5)

30 Infer (5)

32 Grass (4)

33 Fish eggs (3)

Yesterday's Cryptic Solution

ACROSS. — 4. Clid-E-on. 7. Pull-over. 8. Overdo. 10. Elud-E. 13. Co-ed. 14. D-ate. 15. Ge-MS. 16. Fat. 17. Bean. 19. T-L-L. 21. First Lady. 23. Rita. 24. Risa. 26. Ten. 27. She'd. 29. Ab-AB. 32. Pass. 33. Plots. 34. R-OBE-r. 35. Concert-O. 36. Stitch. 37. DOWN. — 1. Speed. 2. Cl-out. 3. Love. 4. Groom. 5. Dead (rev.). 6. Ord-el. 9. Vests. 11. Lap. 12. De-bit. 13. Centres. 15. Gas. 16. Fly. 18. Era-er. 20. I-Deal. 21. Fin. 22. Lid. 23. Report. 25. Par. 28. Hatch. 30. Harry. 31. Below. 32. Pest. 33. Pack. 34. Par. 28. Hatch. 30. Harry. 31. Below. 32. Pest. 33. Pack.

Yesterday's Easy Solution

ACROSS. — 4. Repent. 7. Bearable. 8. Barren. 10. Dares. 13. Rest. 14. Ever. 15. Eels. 16. Hem. 17. Ains. 19. Enid. 21. Assaulted. 23. Fuel. 24. Legs. 26. Ark. 27. Alto. 29. This. 32. Onus. 33. Usual. 34. Knends. 35. Threaten. 36. Beasts. 37. DOWN. — 1. Abode. 2. Subre. 3. Pass. 4. Rebel. 5. Pert. 6. Needed. 9. Assets. 11. Ave. 12. Erase. 13. Results. 15. Era. 16. Hid. 18. Island. 20. Nests. 21. Auk. 22. Leo. 23. Fringe. 25. CIA. 28. Lusts. 30. Hunts. 31. Slang. 32. Onus. 33. Used.

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Visiting Hours: Main Museum 4-10. From 4-8: Recycling Workshop. 4-8: Guided tour in English. 6 and 8:30. Film, "The Way We Were". 8:30. Guided lecture, "Egyptian Finds in Canaan". by Daphna Ben Tor, Assistant Curator.

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Haifa

Golden Age Club (Rothschild Community Centre, Mt. Carmel), today 4.15: Lecture on "Historical Sites at the Dead Sea" by Mr. M. Neurah. Guests and new members welcome. What's On in Haifa, tel. 04-666664.

Rehovot

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Shares swamped by selling wave

TEL AVIV. — Prices retreated yesterday across a broad front as 176 securities, more than a third of all issues traded, fell by 5% or more. From the early morning hours the financial district was astir with rumours about a possible investigation of the Ronit mutual fund by the Securities Authority, the downfall of a Haifa mutual fund manager, and possible law suits against the exchange for losses by investors.

While no confirmation about an investigation of Ronit could be obtained, it was quite clear that the fund was faltering badly. In the second week of January Ronit stood at a price more than three times its current level.

Commercial banks stood out in marked contrast to other groups of trading. The Big Three banks advanced by less than one per cent. Israel Maritime Bank O.I. was up by 3.3%, the Danot shares, however, were dropped for losses. The I.O. shares were down by 10%, while the 5.0 shares were "sellers only" for the second consecutive time.

The shares of the First International Bank were 6.7% lower, while FIBI was 5% lower in active trading. Mortgage bank issues were mixed, but specialized financial institutions were clearly lower, with the Contractors Centre shares falling by 10%. Insurance issues were under pressure and prices retreated accordingly. Losses of 10% were absorbed by Ararat O.S., Hassneh (4)

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

and Yardenia 0.5. Ten per cent losses pervaded the services sector. Shares falling by this figure included Lighterage 0.5, Cold Storage 0.1, Teta 1.0 and 5.0, and Consortium. Cold Bonded option fell by nearly 21%.

A similar situation prevailed in the land development and real estate sector. Oren, Dankner, Darad 0.1 and 0.5, TAT 1.0, Caesarea 0.1 and Rascos ordinary all fell by 10%.

The picture was pretty much the same when the industrial sector traded. Agan was down by 10%, but its option was unchanged. Ata B fell by 23.1%, while the Ata C shares were 28.8% lower. Both the Ata shares had traded on Sunday as "sellers only" for the second session. The Dubek shares were both down by 10%.

In a rather sharp reversal of trend, the Yaeh options traded as "sellers only." Over the preceding two sessions these options had been "buyers only." The exchange announced that today the Yaeh options will trade without any price restraints.

The selling persisted in the investment company group. The Israel

Corporation 1.0 shares were 10% lower, but the 5.0 shares traded unchanged. Sahar Holdings 1.0 was "sellers only," but the 5.0 shares fell by 10%. Piryon was down by nearly 6%.

Cial Real Estate Investments announced its estimate of its financial results. Management expects that for the year ending December 31, 1982 the company will report a net profit of IS78 million, compared with IS11m. in the preceding year. The company intends to pay shareholders 200% bonus shares. It also intends to more than double its registered share capital, to IS1,120m.

The Dead Sea Works shares will trade today from a base of 1,933 in the wake of a dividend payment. Merav — ex-bonus shares will trade from a base of 599.

The index-linked bond market traded without any major changes in a quiet day. The shekel was devalued by 28 agorot vis-a-vis the dollar. Banking sources indicate that demand for the dollar was fairly heavy and could be connected with rumours of an impending speeding up of the devaluation of the local currency, or even a major devaluation.

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Haifa port dispute over training scheme

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Haifa port stevedores started industrial action yesterday afternoon shift over a foremen training dispute, reducing the number of gangs working from 14 to one. The action came on the eve of a possible general strike in all the ports over a new labour contract.

The Haifa dispute, which will affect mainly the afternoon shifts, arises over the stevedores' committee demand that the management choose the longest-serving workers for foremen training. The management wants to choose candidates on ability.

The dispute arose after the retirement of a number of foremen, which led to the temporary promotion to foreman of the more skilled stevedores who usually act as signalmen.

They received extra pay for the job and the management intended to send some of them for foremen training.

The committee yesterday ordered the signalmen not to work as acting foremen and thus only one gang could be deployed in the afternoon.

Negotiations for the new labour contract in all three ports are to be resumed today with the ports authority, which has offered raises in line with the national framework agreement.

The workers also want "plant level" rises and declared a labour dispute two weeks ago. This enables them to call a strike if no progress is made today.

DEFENCE. — A Haga (civil defence) exercise is to be held tomorrow in Jerusalem between 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. During the exercise explosions and the sound of gunfire will be heard and sirens will sound the "all clear" signal. In the event of a real emergency the sirens will sound a rising and falling tone.

Real interest rates are sharply higher

TEL AVIV. — "Real" interest rates (the deflated price of borrowing money) rose sharply during the last quarter of 1982, according to the Federation of Israeli Chambers of Commerce.

During the last quarter the rate for an approved overdraft was 4.55 per cent, compared to a negative rate of 10.93 per cent in the third quarter.

Unauthorized overdrafts were up to 62.39 per cent in the fourth quarter, compared to only 38.25 per cent in the third.

For loans in foreign currency, the interest was 37.83 per cent, compared to minus 5.29 per cent, in the third quarter. The Japanese yen rose to 75 per cent, compared to minus 15 per cent in the third quarter, and the dollar fell from 2 per cent, compared to 13.25 per cent in the third quarter.

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The leaky alliance

RELATIONS between the State of Israel and the Christian community in Lebanon are under a cloud. For a moment this week it seemed that the two old-time partners were near a point of rupture. An actual break was avoided, but the strain remains.

Yet it is only 22 months since Israeli jets shot down two Syrian helicopters over the Bekaa Valley to help relieve the siege of Zahle, described as an embattled Christian stronghold. The people of Zahle were threatened with annihilation, Prime Minister Begin explained at the time, and it was Israel's duty to prevent that dread prospect from materializing at the hands of the Syrians.

To be sure, the Israeli commitment to the Christians of Lebanon was not meant to be one-sided. The Christians were expected to help Israel beat down the mutual foe, the PLO, a Syrian protégé, and eventually to reshape Lebanon, under their leadership, as a firm and fast friend of Israel. That, too, was to be the final outcome of Operation Peace for Galilee, once it was underway.

In pursuit of that objective Israel chose to overlook signs, even during last summer's campaign, of Christian hesitancy in the common effort.

The installation of the Maronite Bashir Jemayel as president of Lebanon was supposed to set things right, once the IDF had won the battle of Beirut. But the doomed Bashir himself soon indicated hesitation to go all the way with Israel towards a fully fledged peace. The former Phalange chieftain, representing a minority in his country, felt that his duty, as leader of all the Lebanese, was to cement national unity.

That meant he had to take into account the wishes and interests of the majority, made up of Moslems and Druse. Besides, he could not wholly ignore pressures from the Arab hinterland, on which Lebanon and not least its Christian community, was dependent for its livelihood.

The final puncturing of Israeli illusions came when Amin Jemayel replaced his murdered younger brother as president. Official hopes soared momentarily when Defence Minister Sharon appeared to secure a "breakthrough" in talks with Mr. Jemayel's confidantes. But Mr. Sharon turned out to be wrong, and the hopes were dashed.

Now the defence minister is prepared to dump, or at least threaten to dump, the Christian allies, unless they agree to modify their policy of toeing the Arab line. So when the Druse shell East Beirut from Syrian-controlled territory, Mr. Sharon advises the Phalanges to obtain relief directly from their Syrian friends. The Phalanges, for their part, are charging Israeli complicity in the attacks, and at Halde the blame is being placed directly on the IDF.

Yesterday a cease-fire was arranged by Israeli intermediaries at Aley. But the root cause of the misunderstanding between Israel and the Christians, has not been touched. Fundamentally the two partners have expected too much from each other, and having been disappointed they are now venting their spleen on one another.

In the long run, for all the disappointments, the common interest may reassert itself. But for the time being, despite the progress reported at Halde yesterday, it appears the government is tending to fall back on the alternative plan for a security belt in southern Lebanon. This, of course, would spell the effective partition of the country into Israeli and Syrian spheres of influence.

Only there, too, there are considerable difficulties. For the direct base of Israel's chosen instrument, Major Haddad, is confined to the small Christian minority in the south. The effort to enlarge the base through the recruitment of the majority Shias is still not assured success.

In the meantime, the passage of time alone seems to be eroding Israel's ability to salvage some durable gains from the unravelling of its hopes for Lebanon.

HADDAD ACCORD

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will feature prominently in the higher-level negotiations scheduled for this week, with the return of the American mediator Philip Habib. Habib was due to meet with Prime Minister Menachem Begin and top ministers and aides tomorrow afternoon, but that may change due to the publication of the Kahan Commission's report.

The Israeli spokesman yesterday reported progress on matters of "mutual relations" between Israel and Lebanon. The subcommittee dealing with this subject has embarked on the drafting of specific provisions destined to be part of an accord. "It is no longer a matter of exchanging preliminary papers," said spokesman Yosef Amihoud. "They are actually formulating the words of the agreement."

He said the sides had "more or less agreed" on the matter of liaison offices. It seems clear, however, that there has been no undertaking from the Lebanese to set up such an office in Israel — only to countenance the continued existence of an Israeli liaison office in Beirut.

At the start of yesterday's plenary session, Lebanese chief delegate Antoine Fattal criticized Israel for failing to stop the Christian-Druse

fighting in Aley. (On Sunday night, superior Druse forces drove Christian Phalange fighters out of the town.)

Fattal cited Israel's obligation as an occupying power under international law to protect the security of the occupied populace.

But Israel's chief delegate David Kimche replied that Israel did not regard itself as an occupier — particularly since its principal desire was to leave the area as soon as possible. Kimche expressed regret for the loss of life, but pointed out that it would have been far heavier were it not for the IDF's efforts to keep a lid on the fighting.

Later, the IDF commander in the Beirut area, Tat-Aluf Amnon Lifkin, came to Halde to brief Fattal, Kimche and U.S. chief negotiator Morris Draper on the cease-fire agreement that had been concluded between the warring factions.

Kimche spoke at the plenary session of the need to move ahead faster. As time passed, he noted, "tendencies to harden one's positions" set in "and outside influences increase."

He challenged the Lebanese view that Israel's security demands in the south would be an encroachment on Lebanese sovereignty. If Lebanon agreed to them there was no encroachment, he argued. History was full of precedents, he said, citing Japan's agreement to the U.S. naval and military facilities at Okinawa.

Violating the spirit of Camp David

By MISHA LOUVISH

HAS PRIME MINISTER Menachem Begin come round to the "Jordanian option," so long championed by the Labour Party and sneered at by Herut and its sympathizers? At first glance, this might seem to be the significance of his dramatic call to King Hussein — proffered at an Israel Bonds dinner on January 29 and repeated in the Knesset three days later — to come and negotiate with Israel "with no preconditions in any sphere."

A second look at the wording of the invitation, however, raises many doubts. In the same breath as the call for "no preconditions," Mr. Begin specified that the negotiations are to be held "on the basis of the Camp David agreements." This proviso covers an entire battery of preconditions, worked out by Israel, Egypt and the U.S. without Jordan's participation. Would Begin refuse to negotiate if Hussein reserved the right to present proposals not agreed on at Camp David? Apparently he would, if he meant what he said.

Assume, however, that this hurdle could be overcome. The negotiations would soon come up against a much more serious obstacle: the Likud Government's settlement policy in Judea and Samaria, which flagrantly contradicts the basic principles of the Camp David accords, if not the literal meaning of the text.

It is often forgotten that the "Jordanian option" — and even the idea of "territorial compromise," another *bête noire* of Begin and his followers — are clearly implied by basic provisions of the accords and the peace treaty with Egypt.

"The Framework of Peace in the Middle East," which is an integral part of both documents, provided that the negotiations on the final status of the West Bank and Gaza, as well as, later, on the peace treaty between Israel and Jordan, shall not only "be based on all the provisions and principles of UN Security Council Resolution 242," but "will resolve, among other matters, the location of the boundaries."

If and when Jordan agreed to join in these negotiations, it was, first, to participate, together with Israel, Egypt and "representatives of the Palestinian people," in talks on "the resolution of the Palestinian problem in all its aspects" (Article A.1). Since nothing specific was said in the accords about peace negotiations with Lebanon or Syria, Israel thus recognized — at least by implication — the centrality of "the Palestinian problem" in the Middle East conflict.

IN ORDER to resolve that problem, Egypt, Israel and the U.S. agreed that "there should be transitional arrangements for the West Bank and Gaza," including the establishment of "full autonomy" for the inhabitants and, during a transi-

sitional period of five years, negotiations "to determine the final status of the West Bank and Gaza."

The letter and the spirit of the accords leave no room for doubt: the "final status" of the area was to be left open, and to be determined only towards the end of the five-year transitional period. Furthermore, the solution produced from the negotiations must also "recognize the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people" and their just requirements, and be submitted to a vote by the elected representatives of the inhabitants.

It is certainly arguable whether the Israeli proposals for the composition and powers of the "elected self-governing authority" to be established in the West Bank and Gaza would really provide the "full autonomy" specified in the accords.

The repeated official statements that Israel will claim sovereignty over the areas at the end of the transitional period are hardly in keeping with the undertaking to determine their "final status" by negotiation and to submit any agreement to the inhabitants for confirmation, but these statements might, perhaps, be defended as no more than a declaration of intent.

The government's settlement policy, however, is officially and openly intended to ensure that the only possible final status of Judea and Samaria will be that of an integral part of an undivided and indivisible Land of Israel from the Mediterranean to the Jordan Valley. Any negotiations on the subject will be futile, because the government is doing all it can, with great energy and considerable effect, to predetermine the result.

It is important to clear away some of the hypocritical verbiage with which this issue has been envenomed — it deceives no one but ourselves. The issue is not the right of Jews to live in Hebron or Nablus on the same basis as in London or New York. The Likud Government is not merely permitting Jews to settle among the Arab population of Judea and Samaria as members of the existing community; it is openly and officially pursuing a settlement policy designed to radically transform the national and political status of the territory and its people.

Until 1967, the Arabs of the area belonged to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. No doubt, they suffered from discrimination in favour of the population of the East Bank, and from time to time they were restive under Hussein's rule, but they were citizens of the country and their representatives participated in its administration and political activity; above all, they were part of the Arab family of nations and were governed by members of their own people, similar in language, mores, mentality and cultural background. ISRAEL'S occupation of the ter-

ritory in repelling Jordanian aggression was entirely justified, but it subjected the population to the rule of another nation, different not only in its ways and outlook, but also in its fundamental aims and interests.

The Labour-led governments of Levi Eshkol, Golda Meir and Yitzhak Rabin proclaimed their readiness to restore most of the territory to Jordan in the framework of a peace settlement, reconstituting a Jordanian-Palestinian state in which the national identity of the Palestinian Arabs would find expression, and retaining only specified areas essential for Israel's security. Jewish settlements were permitted only in these areas in order to leave the way open for such a settlement.

During the past five years, however, Mr. Begin's government has been pursuing a policy that is openly and officially designed to close any option of this kind by establishing a dense network of Jewish settlements which will make it impossible to unscrew the omelette. At the same time the government announces that it will never permit "alien" — i.e. Arab — rule over any part of the territory. All this, moreover, is not merely a matter of pragmatic policy designed to safeguard our security, but a fundamental principle of unchangeable national ideology.

It would be absurd to stigmatize this policy as involving forcible transfers of population, but it is not quite accurate, either, to describe it as merely voluntary settlement. Enormous sums are being spent by the government in building thousands of houses on sites deliberately located where they will break up the continuity of areas densely populated by Arabs.

Massive subsidies make these dwellings much cheaper than similar ones west of the Green Line, so that families with limited means are subjected to a kind of economic and administrative coercion to settle in Judea and Samaria, even if, conditions being equal, they might prefer to live, say, in Jerusalem or the coastal strip.

For those who believe that the entire area from the sea to the Jordan must, ultimately, be the territory of the Jewish State, and that the Arabs must either reconcile themselves to the status of a permanent minority or fold up their tents and steal away, these policies are no less justifiable than were the population-dispersal policies of the Labour governments, but they have only an incidental connection with the right of Jews, like members of any other denomination or nationality, to live in any country they choose.

THE CAMP DAVID accords do not specifically prohibit, or even regulate, Jewish settlement in the area, but the present policy is clearly designed to frustrate their basic

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objectives by closing all options except the one espoused by the Likud Government.

Does anyone seriously believe that either Egypt, Jordan or the representatives of the Palestinian People (or "the Eretz-Israeli Arabs") will accept a peace founded on the abrogation of all Arab national aims in Palestine and the fulfillment of the goals of Herut, Gush Emunim and Teliya?

Recent news items have flashed a spotlight on the kind of life that the Arab population can expect to lead under perpetual Israeli rule. An official inquiry committee, for example, found that an officer rounded up a number of Arab youngsters in places where trouble might be expected and loaded them onto Arab buses to take them to the Military Government HQ for detention. On another occasion, he forced the driver of an Arab vehicle to halt and compelled the passengers, with blows from his truncheon, to get off and clear away a road-block. These actions were approved by the military governor of Judea and Samaria, as reported in the press.

It is true that the military court ruled that these acts were contrary to regulations, but they are by no means the most serious examples of "irregular behaviour" (*harigim*) that has been officially documented.

During the hearings of a military court involving charges of brutality against Israeli officers and men, moreover, directives have been cited, which were issued by Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan himself, advocating "systematic harassment, expulsion, collective punishment, arbitrary imprisonment, punishment of parents for activities of children, economic sanctions against whole villages, and more," according to *The Jerusalem Post* editorial of January 23.

Rav-Ahuf Eitan has commented that all these measures are legal. At the risk of being stigmatized as *yefeh-nefesh*, or a bleeding heart, I venture to suggest that our military government could be more

humanely administered.

In this context, however, that is not the point. The point is that Arabs in Judea and Samaria are liable to suffer these kinds of harassment, and worse, even if they are not guilty of any offence, but just happen to be on the spot when an offence is committed. Even if the authorities take steps to curb the excesses of the system, the plain fact is that one of the two peoples of this country, who have been born and bred here, and whose ancestors have lived here for centuries, will always be a subject people, dependent for life and liberty on the goodwill of the other, and even the government's autonomy scheme will not basically change this situation.

THE FLIGHT of the Palestinian Arabs may be mitigated by the humanity of Israel's soldiers; the integrity of its courts; and the vigilance of those Israelis who do not regard decency, humanity and justice as dirty words. But to call it "equal coexistence" is little better than a mockery.

To describe the Likud government's settlement policy as a deterrent to peace is, therefore, an understatement. Peace is a state of affairs that both sides accept and may reasonably be expected to maintain, because it enables both to pursue their basic social, political and national objectives, and does not leave either side in a situation which it feels to be intolerable.

The Herut-dominated government, with the connivance of the so-called "Liberals," the moderates of the National Religious Party and ex-Labour renegades who have sold their principles for the fruits of office, is erecting a massive barrier to peace, which is growing so high and solid that it will be a difficult and agonizingly painful task to dismantle or surmount the obstacle in order to seek peace with Jordan and the Palestinian people.

The writer is closely involved in Labour Party affairs.

READERS' LETTERS

PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — Permit me to correct an error which crept into your report (January 20) of my research on public demonstrations in Israel. Of all such protests over the 30 years covered (1950-79), 38.5 per cent were over social issues, 27.8 per cent were political, 19.7 per cent were economic, and only 14 per cent were religious (and not as otherwise reported). In addition, the 21 per cent figure noted in the headline, constituting the proportion of Israeli adults who have participated in protest demonstrations, is a world record, far ahead of America's 11 per cent.

The reader might also have gained the impression that the restraint on the part of the police towards religious protesters is a result of political directives. To the contrary, there is no evidence of the Minister of Police or anyone else within the government ordering the police to soften its stance *vis-à-vis* religious protesters. Rather, such "underreaction" is a matter of the police forces' own hyper-sensitivity to the political implications of what may seem to be "police brutality." As a matter of record, the central conclusion of my study is that the police overall react just as they should to the vast majority of Israeli protests (on all issues), but that on religious-issue protests, there is a tendency to soften its stance.

Finally, the specific research work on religious protest and police reaction to it was done conjointly by myself and my colleague, Dr. Giora Goldberg, whose statistical expertise was invaluable in discovering several of the peculiarities of the whole phenomenon. It should also be of note that the project's statistical findings were based primarily on data gleaned from *The Jerusalem Post*, which proved to be an excellent and reliable source of public protest reporting.

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REFORMING THE WZO

present activity — including settlement and absorption — should be reserved for government supervision. Instead of expanding — and at the Congress, the debate on anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism showed signs of leading to the birth of an additional department for the WZO — the organization should be reduced in size. Isn't aliyah, education, information and fund-raising for non-military and non-political projects sufficient for today's World Zionist Organization?

Imagine how much of Mr. Kramer's criticism would fall of itself. Deprived of party politics and the spoils system, the organization could start doing the work that the

entire Jewish people needs and those not involved and not dedicated to this work would simply not come to future congresses. The weeks of fighting could be replaced by a few days of dedicated work. A restructured movement is a necessity. If the leaders of the WZO don't see it, the membership certainly does.

MORTON H. NAROWE,
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Jewish Community of Stockholm
Stockholm.

UNANSWERED QUESTIONS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — Since the publication of our "Unanswered questions" in your issue of January 7, we have received many touching letters from your readers. We wish to thank, through your column, all those who wrote to us expressing their sympathy in our grief.

It may be worth noting that those to whom we addressed ourselves — Prime Minister Begin and Defence Minister Sharon — did not consider it necessary to respond, just as neither they nor their bureaux responded when we sent them our original letters in October.

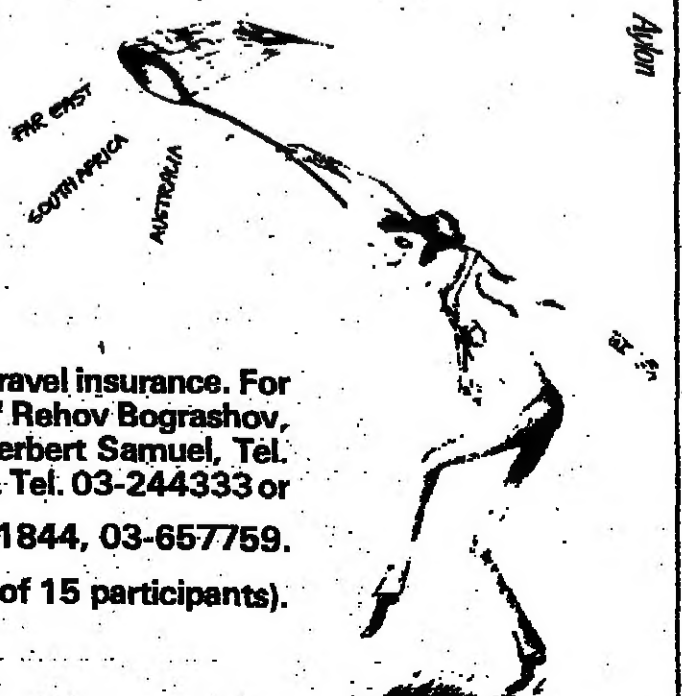
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